on legal right, education on fundamental duties and education on the availability and benefits of legal aid.

International Arbitration

2817. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are proposing to have statutory support for the International Arbitration hub in the country in the context of globalization of economy and trade; and

(b) if so, whether institutional development of excellance in International arbitration is on the anvil?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

Supervision of subordinate courts

†2818. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that High Court only supervises the subordinate courts;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that High Court does not have financial and administrative rights pertaining to the subordinate courts; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof and whether judicial system is adversely affected as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) to (c) Article 233, 234 and 235 of the Constitution provide ample powers to the High Court of the concerned State in matters of administration of subordinate courts such as appointments of district judges, recruitment of persons other than district judges, the control over district courts and courts subordinate to it including posting and promotion and the grant of leave to persons belonging to the judicial service.

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The Central Government, from time to time, has been requesting the State Governments to confer more financial powers on the Chief Justice of High Court.

Government Advocates

†2819. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has issued any guidelines regarding preparation of a list of such advocates who can plead for Government interests;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that inspite of enlisting of many senior and experienced advocates junior and less experienced advocates are sent to the Supreme Court for pleading the case on behalf of Government and as a result thereof, Government have been facing failure in many cases; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and by when this practice would be discontinued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of K.L. Pavunny Vs. Asstt. Collector (HQ), Central Excise Collectorate, Cochin (1997) 3 Supreme Court Cases 721 issued some guidelines with regard to the engagement of advocates on behalf of Union of India in Supreme Court.

(b) The Union of India Should take care to entrust the sensitive cases of far reaching effect, in particular on question of law, to counsel who have experience and ability in that branch of law to defend their cases. Lest it is public justice that suffers and economy of the country is put in jeopardy.

(c) No, Sir. The law Officers viz., Attorney General, Solicitor General and Addl. Solicitors General are engaged with competent juniors to assist

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